

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography

Photography

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In addition to traditional black and white and color photography, Tyler's Photography Area (<https://tyler.temple.edu/programs/photography>) will introduce you to various other creative approaches to the medium. Some of these include digital imaging techniques, large-format professional digital printing in black and white and color, handmade cameras, large format photography, historical alternative processes, critical theory, and career options for artists who wish to enter the field of photography. The emphasis in the Photography Major is on the development of personal vision for the artist.

Degree Requirements

The Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Photography may be conferred upon a student by recommendation of the faculty and upon the satisfactory completion of a minimum of 126 semester hours of credit with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00. All Photography majors must complete the BFA curriculum (<http://bulletin.temple.edu/undergraduate/tyler-art/bachelor-fine-arts/bfa/#requirementstext>) and General Education (<http://bulletin.temple.edu/undergraduate/general-education>) requirements.

- Students must earn a C- or better in GAD 2441 or GAD 2451, and GAD 2461 to enter the Photography major.
- The nine required Junior/Senior Photography courses must be completed with a C- or better to fulfill major requirements.

The faculty encourages taking Photography courses in excess of the minimum required. These additional courses count towards required studio credits.

Major Requirements for B.F.A. in Photography

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Sophomore Prerequisite ¹		
GAD 2441 or GAD 2451	Photo I: Digital Photo I: Digital	3
GAD 2461	Digital Imaging	3
Junior and Senior Requirements ¹		
GAD 3411	Digital Photography	3
GAD 3412 or GAD 3414	Darkroom Photography Darkroom Photography	3
GAD 3413	Photographic Lighting	3
GAD 3401 or GAD 3431	Color Photography I Color Photography I	3
GAD 3441 or GAD 3451	Advanced Photo Workshop Advanced Photography Workshop	3
GAD 3461 or GAD 3471	Photo Process Workshop Photo Process Workshop	3
GAD 4441	Senior Photography	3
GAD 4496	Senior Seminar in Photography (Capstone, WI)	3
Specialized Photo Course		
Select one of the following:		3
GAD 3185	Field Internship	
GAD 3400	Special Topics in Photography	
GAD 3402	View Camera	
GAD 3421	Digital Projects	
GAD 3422	Contemporary Photography	
GAD 3896	Art Career Workshop (WI)	

¹ The schedule of courses that are required for the Photography major is posted each semester on the Tyler Photography web site: <https://tyler.temple.edu/programs/photography>.

Suggested Academic Plan

Please note that this is a **suggested** academic plan. Depending on your situation, your academic plan may look different.

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Requirements for New Students starting in the 2018-2019 Academic Year

Year 1		Credit Hours
Fall		
FDPR 1511	Foundation Drawing ¹	3
FDPR 1521	2D Foundation Principles	3
FDPR 1531	3D Foundation Principles/W	3
FDPR 1501	Introduction to Art and Design	1
ARTH 1155 or 1955	Arts of the World I: Prehistoric to 1300	3
ENG 0802, 0812, or 0902	Analytical Reading and Writing [GW]	4
Term Credit Hours		17
Spring		
FDPR 1512	Foundation Drawing	3
FDPR 1522	2D Foundation Principles	3
FDPR 1532	3D Foundation Principles/C	3
FDPR 1502	Investigations of Art and Design	1
ARTH 1156 or 1956	Arts of the World II: 1300 to the 21st Century ¹	3
IH 0851 or 0951	Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life [GY]	3
Term Credit Hours		16
Year 2		
Fall		
GAD 2441 or 2451	Photo I: Digital	3
Select one of the following:		3
CRFT 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
GAD 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
PDS 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
Select one of the following:		3
CRFT 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
GAD 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
PDS 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
IH 0852 or 0952	Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good [GZ]	3
GenEd Quantitative Literacy Course [GQ]		4
Term Credit Hours		16
Spring		
GAD 2461	Digital Imaging	3
Select one of the following:		3
CRFT 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
GAD 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
PDS 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
Select one of the following:		3
CRFT 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
GAD 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
PDS 2000-2999 Sophomore Studio Elective		
GenEd Breadth Course		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Term Credit Hours		15

Year 3		
Fall		
GAD 3412 or 3414	Darkroom Photography	3
GAD 3401 or 3431	Color Photography I	3
GAD 3413	Photographic Lighting	3
Art History Elective [WI]		4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Term Credit Hours		16
Spring		
GAD 3441 or 3451	Advanced Photo Workshop	3
GAD 3411	Digital Photography	3
CRFT, GAD, or PDS Studio Elective		3
Art History Elective ²		4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Term Credit Hours		16
Year 4		
Fall		
GAD 4496	Senior Seminar in Photography [WI]	3
Specialized Photography Course ³		3
CRFT, GAD, or PDS Studio Elective		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Non-Studio Elective		3
Term Credit Hours		15
Spring		
GAD 4441	Senior Photography	3
GAD 3461 or 3471	Photo Process Workshop	3
CRFT, GAD, or PDS Studio Elective		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Open Elective ²		3
Term Credit Hours		15
Total Credit Hours:		126

¹ These 2 courses constitute the waiver for the GenEd Arts category if the courses are completed with a C- or better.

² Students completing a 3 credit Art History 2000+ elective **must** select a 4 credit open elective to reach the minimum 126 credits to earn the BFA degree.

³ Choose from: GAD 3185, GAD 3400, GAD 3402, GAD 3421, GAD 3422, GAD 3896.

Please Note: An approved study abroad program waives the GenEd Global/World Society (GG) requirement; however, these credits must be made up with academic coursework taken outside of Tyler departments to be in compliance with BFA accreditation. Photography majors interested in studying abroad should consult with an academic advisor to determine if a semester (generally spring semester of second year) or a summer program would be the best option to remain on track for graduation.